

# *CLIVE and PLEASANT VALLEY DISTRICT*



*TOWN OF CLIVE, ALBERTA*

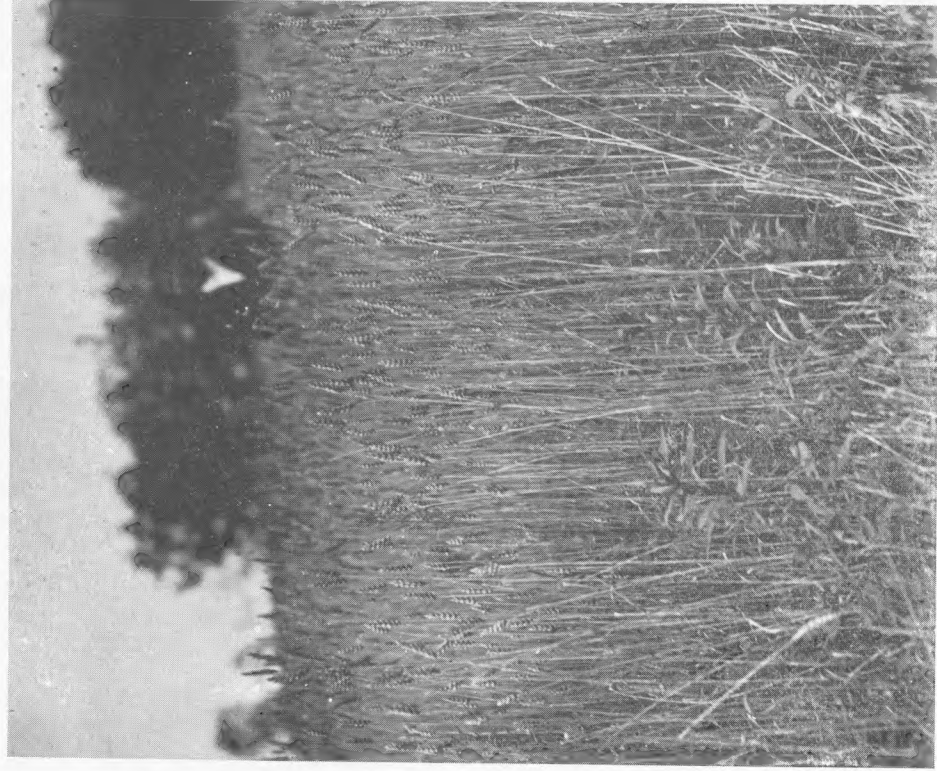
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# An Invitation . . .

*We have printed this book for the benefit of those living in other parts of Canada and United States, who are intending to go to other countries where cheaper land can be had, and we take this method of describing and recommending our district as it is. What you see and read in this booklet is true, from the most reliable sources and is here to be seen. To good, industrious, moral and law-abiding citizens, those who are represented in this book extend a welcome invitation (all others stay away).*

*It would be well for you to come to Clive in the months of August and September. These are our harvest months, at that time a stranger can judge what our country can do in the way of crops, fat cattle, etc.*



Everybody's Happy in Clive With These Crops. "Nuff Sed."

## FOREWORD

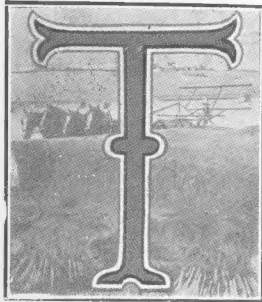


E ask you to spend a few moments of your time looking over the Photographs and Views that we have gathered together showing Farm Scenes and beautiful Farm Homes in the Clive and Pleasant Valley District and reading of our own personal experiences in this prosperous Community. The Province of Alberta receives a great deal of well deserved publicity through the various Railway Organizations and through our Government but we as a District within the Province feel that our Community is not as well known as it should be. We have therefore prepared this Booklet at our own expense to draw your attention particularly to our own district of Clive and Pleasant Valley. You will see from the Articles written here that some of our Settlers have had experience covering a period of twenty-five years and when we think of all these years with never a single failure surely the pride we take in our District is justified and the Publicity that we seek to give it is richly deserved. Our land will produce equally well with the farm land of Eastern Canada and the famous farming States of the United States but can be purchased for a fraction of the amount required to purchase land in these older countries. There is therefore a great opportunity here for anyone to establish a farm home and we extend you a hearty invitation to come to Clive and Pleasant Valley. If there is any more definite information that you would like to have drop a line to anyone whose name appears in this Booklet and they will gladly give you the information desired.



Oat Scene in Town of Clive.

## GENERAL—The Province of Alberta.



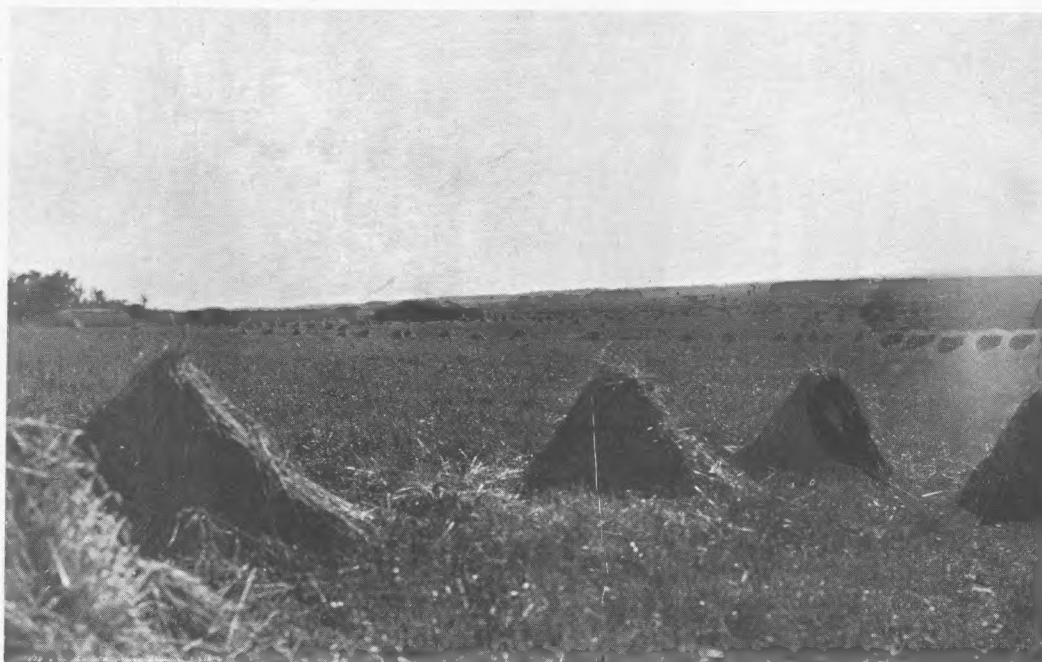
THE Province of Alberta has over 275,000 square miles, the south eastern part being the prairie country and is considered the wheat belt. The south western portion in the foot hills of the mountains has large horse and cattle ranches, and the central and northern part, is partly timber, and partly open lands of very rich soil well watered with many rivers, lakes, creeks and springs and natural rainfall. It is a natural mixed farming country. There are thousands of square miles of forest, and of large and small lakes stacked with game and fish. There are many large deposits of coal all over Alberta, such as the Brazeau coal fields, which have two railroads and are shipping out over 1,000 cars of coal a week. The Crow's Nest coal fields several years ago, had over twelve hundred coke-ovens, and their output was far greater than that of the Brazeau. There are many others namely, Drumheller, Big Valley, Selkirk, Edmonton and Lethbridge, that are employing from a few to over a hundred men, and many other deposits that have not been touched. In speaking of the Alberta Coal Fields, I do not think it would be exaggerating to say, that it has coal for all time to come.

## LOCAL—Description of Clive and Pleasant Valley.

What we can grow here: Grain, grasses, vegetables, and wild and tame fruit.

Schools, organizations and associations, taxation markets, government assistance.





Wheat Scene in Pleasant Valley.



## History of the Town of Clive and District.



HEN this district was first settled the nearest town was Lacombe on the C. and E. branch of the C.P.R. Afterwards the line was extended east but no provision was made by the Railway Company for a townsite at this place. The farmers, realizing the importance of their district and the amount of business that it would produce, got together and elected a Committee of five members to pick out a townsite and to negotiate with the railway company. After five years of effort it was made apparent to the Company that the district was entitled to a siding but it was necessary for the committee to practically guarantee the earnings before the company would act. It was also necessary to buy out a townsite to the west and also pay the Company a sum sufficient to build the present siding making a total expenditure of about \$12,000.00.

The farmers deserve great credit for the manner in which they took hold of the proposition, some furnished teams and men and some made cash donations to help along the work of making the new town, while the land was donated by four farmers viz: Mrs. Philippa Gross, J. N. and R. N. Longstreet, and N. V. Joslin. The committee in charge of this work was composed of the following men, B. F. Allison, H. J. Northcott, Geo. H. Reynolds, D. V. Pringle and N. W. Meadows, later substituted by N. W. Meadows, William Morton, J. T. Reynolds, R. N. Longstreet, J. N. Longstreet, and A. C. Johnson, and to the untiring efforts of these men the Town of Clive owes its existence. In the fall of 1910 the first trains stopped at Clive and it took its place among the farming towns of the Canadian North West. Since then it has had a steady growth until it is now a thriving town with stores, hotels, garages, and all that goes to make a modern town. It has a good four-roomed school, continuous telephone service, rural mail routes, electric light, etc.



Too Many for the Binder.

## AGRICULTURE



LIVE and Pleasant Valley district is known to be one of the best agricultural districts in Alberta. It is noted for its fertile soil, natural rain fall and good water, mixed farming being the chief industry, raising horses, cattle sheep and hogs. Horses can make their own living on the range, and cattle are never stabled through the winter or fed grain, except those being fed for show. Market cattle do better running out in winter with an open shed for shelter, than they do stabled.

Alberta has some of the largest pure-bred horses and cattle breeders in the world, and has held some of the largest pure bred bull sales in the world, selling over eight hundred and sixty pure bred bulls at one sale in Calgary. Alberta has also taken the world's prize for sheep.

We can raise all kinds of small grain of large yields and good quality. Timothy, brome, rye grass, blue grass, alsac and white clover do well here. Red clover and alfalfa are being experimented on with good results. Alberta has taken the prize for the most bushels of wheat and oats per acre, and for the best quality. So we can safely say that Alberta is second to none in agriculture.

The farming district surrounding Clive has been settled for about 25 years but during the early years the farmers engaged in stock raising principally. Gradually the wild lands were taken up and the farmers went in for other branches of farming such as Dairying and grain growing and the success that has been theirs is recorded in this booklet.



**Mixed Farming Pays.**

## TAXATION

We have a single tax system here on land only, all personal property is not taxable. Taxes on one hundred and sixty acres of land in the rural school districts is from \$10.00 to \$15.00, road tax is about \$12.00 with \$6.00 additional war tax. Land lying in town or village school districts is taxed more.

A large amount of money that is being used for schools and roads comes from automobile licenses, and from the sale of our natural resources. If our natural resources are properly handled and disposed of I do not see any cause of higher taxation.

## DAIRYING

While we are endeavoring to point out the advantages of our low priced land, its productive soil, and the great yield, etc., we do not want you to overlook the dairying industry, which is the principal factor connected with mixed farming.

Cream which is easy to produce is one way of making money here and its returns are large consistent with the capital invested; an ordinary cow will more than pay for herself and keep every year on cream alone, with the by-products and calf for extra profit.

The cream industry has grown in our district in the few years of our existence to such an extent that the amount of money distributed here each month runs into thousands of dollars. All this is due to the fact that we have a big market to the west of us for all our butter, eggs, fowl and hogs.



A Big Crop of Oats.

## FRUIT

Among other things we might say that while we are not in the banana belt, yet it will surprise you to see the amount of wild fruit grown in the northern climate, such as strawberries, raspberries, pinchberries, gooseberries, black currants, cranberries, blueberries, chokecherries and saskatoons. Thousands of bushels are canned each year owing to their flavor. While we can get all other kinds of fruit such as pears, peaches, plums, apricots, grapes, apples, etc. from our neighboring province, British Columbia, at a very reasonable price, they will not appeal to your taste like those developed here. We are now growing with great success in our gardens tame strawberries, raspberries, gooseberries, currants of all kinds, which is an indication that we will have orchards in years to come.

## GAME

As it is very natural for any of us to want sporting, especially with the gun and rifle, we do not wish to loose sight of the wild game which we all love to see and hunt. As for these, we stand second to none, and can bring home when we wish, during the hunting season (our government protects the wild game) any of the following birds, ducks, geese, prairie chicken, partridge, and snipe, also big game such as red deer, moose, caribou, elk. While the big game have been driven back to the more remote parts yet they can be reached in a day's run by motor, and is sure good sport.





A Happy Family.

## ROADS

Our roads are conceded to be the equal of any in the Province and are well maintained at all times. The Trunk Roads are built and maintained by the Provincial Government and they also give assistance in maintaining any road that is considered to be a main thoroughfare. The balance of the roads are maintained by the Local Improvement District but the bridges are all built by the Provincial Government. The roads are well graded and arrangement is made whereby they are dragged whenever it is necessary so that it is possible to use an Automobile practically the year round.

## TELEPHONES

We have an exceptionally fine telephone system owned by the Provincial Government and, being under one ownership over the entire Province, it is possible to get connection with anyone within the Province without leaving your own home. There is no fuss or bother in going through exchanges as is the case where the phones are operated by several different companies. The service at Clive is continuous, you can talk on your phone at any time day or night. We might mention here that we also have rural mail routes where required but our roads are good and most of our people prefer to drive their cars to Clive and get their mail and daily papers.



Average Golden Wheat Scene Near Haynes, Alberta.

## RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

Religious institutions are largely represented in our locality. The Methodists, Anglican, and Lutherans have substantial buildings and a goodly following. The Methodists here, by common consent, embrace the Presbyterians, Baptist and some other faiths, thus having a broad spirit of tolerance and worship. The Anglicans are largely of the established English Church, and there are no finer people in our community, unless it is those who support the Lutheran Church. In short, the church in our community is doing her utmost and feeling her way in all matters of uplift.

At present the Union Folk are talking strongly of building a new church or remodeling, and enlarging their sphere of usefulness and taking our social life more largely into their confidence.

## LAND TITLES

All land titles in the Province of Alberta are guaranteed by the Government under the Torrens System so that there is never any such thing as a faulty title.



Mr. McCutcheon's Residence.

## BANKING

The farmers, merchants and residents of the Clive District may well feel proud of the banking facilities, there being two branches of Canada's largest banks established in Clive. Because of the fact that crop failures are practically unknown, added to the fact that the district is essentially a mixed farming one, the banks are always willing to extend ample credit and accommodation to assist legitimate undertakings of all kinds.

The cattle, live stock and dairying industries are especially favored by the banking institutions and no farmer, whether his means be small or great, need feel any apprehension as to his being able to obtain generous assistance from the banks to enable him to increase his live stock holdings.

The banks will also make advances to assist in breaking new land, purchase of seed grain, and in fact for any legitimate requirements.

Canada's banking system is second to none in the world in so far as their ability to take care of desirable borrowers is concerned, and in this connection the two banks represented in Clive have combined total assets of over three hundred million dollars so that the question of safety for depositors and stability for borrowers is undoubted.



Mr. James Walter's Residence.



## EDUCATIONAL

In the matter of education, ample provision has been made by the citizens of Clive and the people of the surrounding districts. Their attitude in this respect has been governed by the consideration that the first business of a democracy is the education of the potential citizens. This means, that not only those most favorably situated may have the opportunity of educational development, but that every individual may have that greatest of all rights during his childhood and adolescent years.

This feeling has been the dominating motive in the provisions made, and with the help of the Educational Authorities of the Province, whose general encouragement and liberal financial aid have been responsible for maintaining excellent schools throughout Alberta, it may truly be asserted that the rural schools in the vicinity of Clive are a credit to the rate-payers and those responsible for their maintenance.

The old rural school building, that was in use before the town of Clive became a corporate body, has long since disappeared and in its place there has been erected an imposing brick structure in a very fine location. This building has a capacity of four class rooms. The grounds give ample opportunity for athletic sport and gardening interests.



Mr. James Walter's Residence.

One of the more recent innovations has been the medical inspection of the school children of the Clive district and also of the surrounding districts. This has been made possible through the enlightened attitude of the Department of Education in respect to the public health of Albertans. It is confidently expected that a clinic will be introduced in the future.

With the introduction of the High School Grades it is now possible for a student to obtain both an elementary and also a secondary education without residence in any larger center. This means that if he so desire, he may obtain training which fits him for entrance to a University or to the Normal School.

The advantage of these facilities can hardly be overestimated when we bear in mind the advisability of our youth in their endolescent years, remaining under the parental roof; and it may be added that no tuition fees are charged for these children from surrounding districts who care to continue their secondary education in Clive.

The citizens of Clive may rightly feel proud of the provisions they have made in this important aspect of community life.



Gull Lake (a Wonderful Spot for a Day's Outing).

## SCENERY AND PASTIME

Any booklet published today must of necessity include a word or two on the above heading. Without it the whole question is purely commercial. What light and shade are to the finished pictures, scenery and pastime are to the well regulated and complete life. There are few who sometime or other fail to be disturbed by the joy of elevated thought which dame nature arouses.

This is particularly true of those whose good fortune it is to live in the area tributary to Clive. From any point of the compass it is the same. It was not by chance that valleys such as Pleasant Valley, Long Valley, and Spring Valley were named, for all might justly be called Happy Valleys, and all are not only peopled by happy and prosperous families, but by the fairies of the seasons. Here are seen, by the silvery creeks crocuses of early spring, the profusely rich blooms of the early summer, the many and varied fruits of the season. Autumn blends her richer tints along with her ripened grain, while Winter holds aloft on bush and tree her many colored crystals. Surely it is here that "Pleasure loves to pay tribute to ease."



**Mr. William Henry's Residence.**

These scenes alone however do not exhaust the ministry pleasure. Within an hour's run by automobile can be seen an interesting series of small lakes, fitly known as Chain Lakes and resorted to by all who swing the angler's line. By far the larger lakes are Buffalo Lake, due east of Clive, and Gull Lake, due west. It is the latter place which furnishes unlimited pleasure with its seventeen miles of water and its exquisite beaches of sand.

Here the summer population of nearly two thousand enjoy the happy hours with bathing, swimming and boating. From all parts of Alberta visitors spend delightful holidays among the sequestered spots of beautiful Gull Lake.

This little article cannot overlook what, after all, provides the cement in all social structures, namely the Social Life.

The five or six school districts around Clive believe in fostering the community spirit. This can be seen in the annual school fair, baseball games, and annual picnic. The most enjoyable picnic yet held was on the grounds of Mr. W. Morrical, one of Clive's old-timers. Here the true community spirit prevails and next year our slogan will be "One thousand people for the people's picnic."

Such are the times and days when the citizens of Clive with its environs feel even if they never say it, "Begone dull care I prithee begone from me."





Mr. Wm. Morrical (Residence) No. 1.

**.. Read ..**

*The following Personal Testimonials*

*Submitted by farmers of the district, who have  
“made good” and are not backward in letting  
the people know their experience and results  
in Pleasent Valley District.*

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**THE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH**



Mr. William Morrical (Residence) No. 2.

Clive, Alberta, Canada.

To Whom it May Concern:

I left Randolph, Iowa, 25 years ago driving a pair of mules hitched to a prairie schooner, arrived here September 24th, 1891, had about \$25.00. I took a homestead in Pleasant Valley on which I still live. My first house and barn were built of logs covered with small poles and straw and sod, they both cost me \$3.00 for two half windows and lumber for the doors, they were warm and comfortable, it was the second best house in the country as there was only one other. I was proud of it and spent many happy days there as it was my first home.

I have done well in this country, we have now 1,600 acres of good, productive and well improved farm land. I engaged in mixed farming, raising horses, cattle and hogs, and the raising of all kinds of small grains which all thrive and are very productive. I have never taken out a mortgage or had any one to sign my note in this country, I have had no assistance from any other source except the Merchant's Bank where I never have failed to get any amount of money that I wanted. This is a very good country for mixed farming, can raise very large yields of all kinds of small grains of an extra good quality. It is a very sure country, and I have never had a failure of crop since I came here, I have never had my crop



**Mr. William Morrical's Registered Shorthorn Cattle.**

damaged with hail to speak of, I have had some crops slightly damaged with frost on the low lands. All kinds of vegetables do well here except some very tender varieties, I ripen corn here and sell it for seed corn at the stores. I like this country and have no intention of going anywhere else to live, land is away below its value here and it is a good healthy country to live in and make money. I have been asked to write a testimony of this country to put in this booklet for the benefit of the reader and here you have it to the best of my knowledge and you are welcome and welcome to come to Alberta.

Truly Yours,

W. J. MORRICAL,

Clive, Alberta.





Mr. William Morrical's Potatoes.





J. N. and R. N. Longstreet's Residence.

Clive, Alberta.

We the undersigned came to the Clive district in the fall of 1900 and 1901 respectively, the country was then very new, and prospects were not very bright. The principal way of travelling was on horseback for the roads were pretty bad.

Homesteads were partly taken up, but we managed to get ours near to Clive. We bought C. P. R. land at three dollars per acre. The soil in the Clive district is a rich black loam from one to two feet deep with a yellow clay subsoil.

We have raised eighteen crops without one failure. Oats, wheat, rye, and barley are our standard crops. The average yield of oats is about fifty-five bushel per acre, wheat averages about thirty bushels with a big crop at fifty bushel. We have raised fifty bushel of rye per acre with thirty an average.

This is a great beef country. We always keep from fifty to one hundred head to eat the rough feed.

Timothy hay is also a staple crop in this section. Potatoes do well here without any potato bugs to bother them. We have raised potatoes on one acre for five years and the smallest yield was two hundred to three hundred bushels.

This district has developed into one of the best mixed farming districts in North America and the price of land is away below its value.

Our roads are good now and automobiles are more numerous than saddle horses were when we first came here.

We can recommend this district to any one who wishes to engage in mixed farming and we intend staying in the business.

J. N. & R. N. LONGSTREET





Mr. George Lemmon's Residence.

Chigwell, Alberta,  
September 14th, 1919.

I came to Lacombe, March, 1894. The second day I was here I remarked to several boys staying at a little boarding house in Lacombe, that I was going to stay here twenty years and get a home, the country looked good to me. Now I have a home far better than I ever dreamed of in those days.

I am located in Long Valley half a mile east of Chigwell and four miles north west of Clive. I am quite sure I will live here the rest of my life. I consider the country surrounding Clive and Chigwell to be as good a mixed farming district as there is in Alberta. If you are a good farmer you will hardly ever have a crop failure.

I am sure nine-tenths of the old-timers have done well and they could retire in any part of the world, but they are not thinking of doing so. I think the most of them are going to do as I intend to do. A few left for the coast or California, but all were glad to get back again, and bought farms or retired in towns.

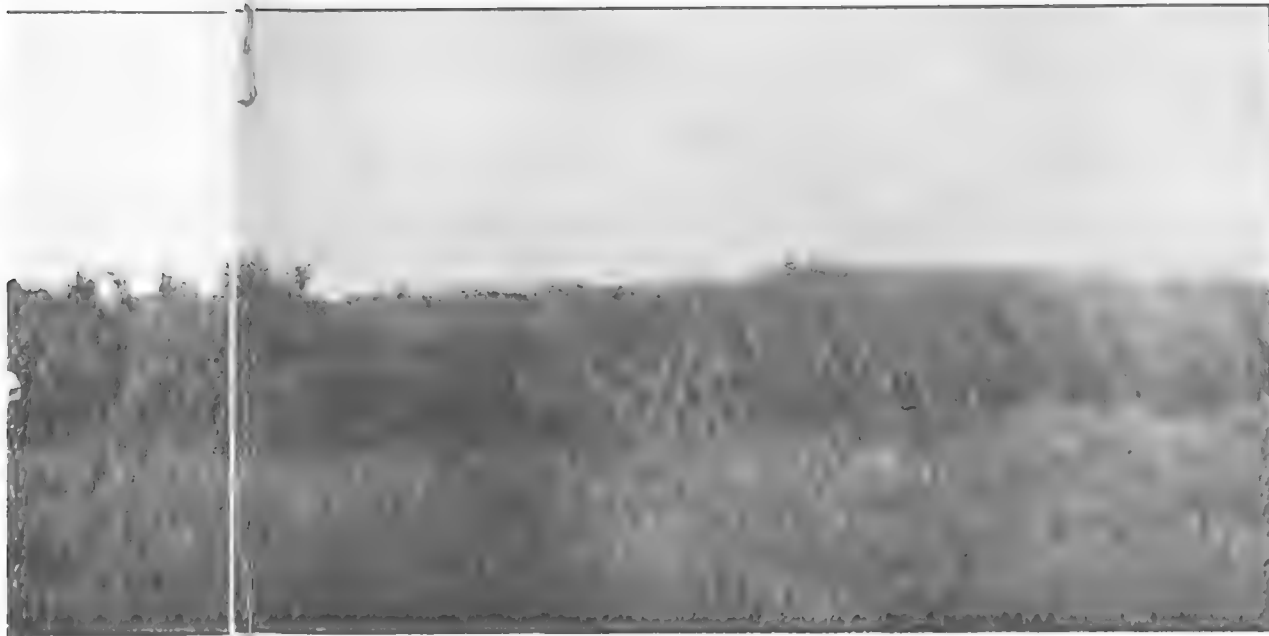
Don't think I am trying to boost things. I don't covet any of your money. I am just introducing this part of Alberta to the people of the world, to let them know what we have here, for some people have the opinion that we live a kind of Indian life. Come and see for yourself. Come any month in the year the climate speaks for itself.

Your neighbor,

G. S. LEMMON.



L. E. Bell Harvesting His Oat Cro



L. E. Bell Harvesting His Oat Crop.

Clive, Sept. 23, 1919.

To Whom It May Concern:

In the year 1911 having a desire to enter the mercantile business in the West, I came to Alberta in the month of May to look up a location.

After looking over considerable of the Province I came to the conclusion that Clive was one of the best spots in the West for my new adventure, knowing that the business I was about to enter had to be backed up by a good farming community. Having decided to settle in Clive I returned to Ontario in July, then returned to Alberta with my family in November of the same year.

Having had farming experience in the vicinity of London, Ontario, I decided to combine mixed farming with my store business in 1917.

I finally bought 160 acres of land adjoining town and leased 320 acres about three miles out which gave me plenty of run for my stock.

I must say I have everything to be thankful for in my farming business as well as the mercantile business.

As you will see by the photographs in this booklet it would be difficult for my crops to be better. After travelling over 5,000 miles this summer I came back feeling more convinced that we have opportunities here which are seldom found.

Any enquiries will be cheerfully answered as I can highly recommend this district to any inquiring friend as a mixed farming district.

Yours respectfully,

L. E. BELL.





Mr. John Lockerby's Residence.

I came to this country from Montreal, Quebec, in the spring of 1908. The first few years while my family were at home we made great success at dairying, and I know of no better place to make money in that line, and I came from the best part of the east for dairying purposes. I would have continued dairying here, only my family have grown up and are working at their own line of trades and professions.

I have succeeded far beyond my expectations when coming here, and I know of no place that I would go to in exchange for my present home.

JOHN LOCKERBY.





Mr. John Lockerby, Harvesting No. 1 Northern Wheat.



Mr. Albert P. Rainforth's Residence and Fine Barns.

Clive, Sept. 21st, 1919

Albert P. Rainforth came to the Clive district from Nebraska in 1902 and settled on the virgin prairie. The first buildings were of logs and the first piece of breaking had many twists and curves in it, the brush having to be cleaned away before the breaking could be done. After eighteen years of steady jogging we have now about one hundred and twenty acres in crop, part of which is in rye and hay to feed the herd of seventeen Ayrshire cows. In the dairy barn on the opposite page you will find up-to-date equipment, a milking machine and separator is operated by a small gas engine.

The house which is of the bungalow type has modern conveniences and is very comfortable.

Regarding climate. While we sometimes have early frosts we have never had a crop failure nor hail and we always have plenty of feed, etc. For household use we raise all the vegetables we require.

P.S. The name given our farm is Rainton Banks.



Mr. William Ross' Wheat Field.

Haynes, September 19th, 1919

As to my experience in farming in Central Alberta. Since I started in the Spring of 1895 I have never had a failure of crop from drought, hail or frost, or any other cause, with the exception of seven acres of fall wheat Winter killed and a small patch ten acres hailed. In all the time I have grown wheat I have never changed my wheat but once, that was in 1911 from Club to Marquis, and then only because I wanted a change, and have always sowed the wheat of the year before. Any long trip I have taken anywhere I have never seen any place I would like better.

For small grain and small fruit, it is hard to beat.

While with corn, one can only be fairly sure of a crop in favored places as yet. I would not be surprised to see a lot of corn raised here yet, after we get what corn we are growing more adapted to the place.

Yours truly,

W. E. ROSS.



Mr. William Ross' Residence.



Haynes, Alta.

I have lived in this part of Alberta for twenty-six years and like it well, during that time  
I have never had a failure of crops and drought is unknown.

THOMAS J. ROSS



Mr. Tom Ross' Residence.

Clive, Alberta,  
September, 1919.

To Whom It May Concern:

I arrived in this country in the year 1904, coming from Minnesota. Was worth at that time possibly \$12,000 and I am now rated by the bank at \$100,000, so that I naturally feel that Alberta, and particularly the Clive District, is the best place on earth. I believe that a man could come here right now and do even better than I have done because this country is really just beginning to open up in the right way. We still have room for any number of people and can offer better inducements than any other part of the world for those who wish to engage in farming and stock raising.

Yours truly,

H. J. NORTHCOTT.



**Mr. Stephen Cundiff's Residence.**

Haynes, Alta., Sept. 18, 1919.

I have made this my home since Feb. 1901. Coming here from Central Iowa. Have never had a crop failure from hail, frost or drought, and in my opinion this is a splendid mixed farming country.

S. S. CUNDIFF,  
Haynes, Alta.



Mr. J. B. Cundiff's Residence.

Haynes, Alberta, Canada,

September 18th, 1919.

I will try and write a short statement about this country. I live on the east half of section 3, Tp. 30, Rg. 24, W. 4th and have lived here for 18 years. I like the country well. I came from Iowa to this country and have never wished to go back to live there, although I lived in Iowa for 30 years and it is a grand State. We have and can raise better and more small grains per acre and make a bigger percentage on the money invested. We have never failed to get a crop in the 18 years that I have been here although there has been some light crops and sometimes the low land has been frozen but there has always been grain enough raised in the country for seed and some to spare. I have always raised enough and had seed and enough for my stock. I know of oats going 115 bushels to the acre and since the war prices a good many farmers have sold from \$45.00 to \$60.00 from one acre of land. It is a healthy climate for stock. I never have heard of any sickness with hogs and there is quite a number raised in this neighborhood. We can raise good rye, I raised a crop of oats plowed the stubble under and sowed rye on the 9th day of October and got 20 bushels of rye the next Fall. We have some quite cold weather at times but it does not last, only for a few days

at a time. I have never known sleet since living here, it is either rain or snow, and there has never been a winter that range horses have not ran out and got their living. I would much rather be out here all day with the mercury 40 to 50 degrees below zero than at 20 or 30 degrees below in Iowa as it is always clear and calm here in the cold weather. The people that came here 15 to 25 years ago when this was a ranching country, with all the hardships of Frontier life, are well fixed today. The financial standing of the farmers and the improvements all speak for the country.

J. B. CUNDIFF,  
Haynes P. O., Alberta, Canada.







Mr. E. C. Sherbourne's Residence.



Mr. E. C. Sherbourne, Harvesting No. 1 Northern Wheat.

Haynes, Alberta, September 19th, 1919

Northern Alberta is alright and this particular district is a little better than the rest. I have been here fifteen years and have had a good crop every year, and an extra good one this year. I have had splendid luck with cattle too.

Twelve years in the dry goods business in Chicago and Butte about ruined my health, so I thought I had better take to the country and since coming here my health has improved immensely, and I am not looking for a chance to sell out.

E. C. SHERBOURNE.



**Evergreen Corn, Grown by Mr. E. C. Sherbourne.**

Having spent the summer in the West, I find the district of Clive one of the best for mixed farming.

There is an abundance of good spring water, the soil is very productive for grain and vegetables and excellent pasture.

The climate is very healthy and if I ever come West to farm the district of Clive is good enough for me.

Yours respectfully,

ALFRED BAKER,  
London, Ont.



Threshing Scene.

Clive, Sept. 27, 1919.

Dear Sir:—

Regarding my experience in your district. I have been engaged in the business for twenty-five years in different parts of North America and have studied the growth of grain, etc., from the Gulf of Mexico north, but nowhere have I found barley and wheat that would excel that which I have threshed in your district. You will pardon me for drawing your attention to the fact of having threshed one hundred and fifteen bushels of oats per acre on your own farm, on land I understood had been broken for twelve years. A field of oats on the farm of Mr. Sharpe yielded one hundred and twenty-seven bushels, on that of Mr. Charles Joslup one hundred and ten bushels, and a field on Meadows Bros. farm one hundred and nineteen bushels per acre. In no other district have I found grain that yielded better or was of a superior quality.

Yours, etc.,

N. W. MEADOWS.



Mr. James Tees' Residence.



I came to Alberta from Iowa, March, 1907, and located near the present townsite of Tees, where I was interested in stock raising with a brother for four years, then moved to our present home, one and a half miles from Clive. I consider the soil equal in quality to that of Iowa and the opportunity many times greater here for the man who wishes to acquire his own farm, as much better crops of oats, rye, and barley can be produced. Also many kinds of vegetables and potatoes and other crops.

A great opportunity is open for the man who will take up mixed farming, which this community is especially suited for. Good returns being realized from cattle, hogs and sheep, the latter giving wonderful returns for the amount invested in them, and the care received, and when one compares our \$50 land with the high-priced land of the middle States, nothing further need be said.

You may tear this up, or do whatever seems fit as I am not sure what was desired in this testimonial.

JAS. TEES.



Mr. Olaf Strandberg's Residence.

When I first came to this neighborhood in the Fall of 1902, there were only a few families settled here, but now it is all taken up and nearly all settled, and has increased in value, now being worth from \$30 to \$75 per acre, which we must consider cheap yet as compared to the older countries, such as Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa.

I have been in this country for seventeen years and have never had a total crop failure during that time. We can raise from thirty to fifty bushels of wheat to the acre, barley from thirty bushels up, rye twenty to forty-five bushels, and potatoes from one hundred and fifty to two hundred bushels to the acre. The last two years we have been quite successful in corn raising, garden stuff of all kinds, tame hay like timothy, rye-grass, brome-grass and alfalfa is doing fine.

It is very suitable for mixed farming as we can raise grain, straw and hay in abundance and stock will do splendidly with little shelter during the winter and can graze all summer.

Yours truly,  
OLAF STRANDBERG.



Mr. E. L. Reynolds' Farm Residence.

Clive, Alberta, September 15th, 1919.

I have been in this country 24 years this fall and have been engaged in mixed farming and cattle raising business for the last twelve years. Don't know of any country where a man with small capital could do better than right here. I have shipped several thousand head of cattle from this country and have never yet had a shipment held in quarantine or for veterinary inspection. In 1909 I purchased a half-section of land and broke out 185 acres that year. The first crop on this land more than paid for the whole half-section and grain at that time was much cheaper than it is now. All things considered I think that anyone wishing to engage in mixed farming or cattle raising could not do better than to settle in this district.

Yours truly,

E. L. REYNOLDS, Clive, Alberta.



Mr. E. L. Reynolds' Cattle.

Clive, Alberta, Sept. 15th, 1919.

I came to Clive in the Spring of 1901 from Michigan and located four miles southeast of Clive. I took up a homestead and bought one section. I have lived here ever since and have had nineteen successful crops. I consider the land here to be better than the land I left in Michigan, although not nearly so high in price. I always raised stock and found this to be very successful here. The stock do well outdoors, my stock never had any shelter except the natural brush and small timber. Although I could live in California or any place I wanted to, my wife and I have decided to make our home right here in Clive, as we consider it the best place to live. I have seen oats in this country that went 132 bushels to the acre and weighed 48 pounds to the bushel, and I have seen wheat that went as high as 50 bushels to the acre. We have always had an abundance of garden corn and all kinds of vegetables and this year we ripened tomatoes on the vine. I have raised a car or two of hogs for market every year besides keeping from 100 to 150 head of cattle and they always have done well. Disease is unknown here; I never had a diseased hog in all the years that I raised them.

I don't know of any place in any country where a man can do as well as right here at Clive and the chances are better today than ever because the prices of all farm products have increased a great deal over what we got in the early years. While I have been quite successful I believe that a man starting in now can do even better than I have done.

Yours truly,

D. HUDKINS.



Mr. J. E. Proctor's Registered Hereford Cattle.



Clive, Alberta,

Sept. 17th, 1919.

I have been requested to write a testimonial for this booklet, and as it may interest some, will be glad to do so.

I, with my father, mother and two brothers came here nineteen years ago from Wau-bleau, Mo., but as the country was very new and it happened to be a wet year, we became discouraged and all left except one brother, E. B. Proctor, who remained until his death in 1911.

I went to Wray, Colo., and settled there, remaining there until 1911, when I again came to this country, where I invested and have remained. I went into mixed farming, but mostly cattle raising. Of course I have not had as long an experience as a great many others here, but from what I have had, I have never been sorry I settled here, as we now have eight hundred acres of rich, fertile, heavy-producing land and I think anyone coming here with a small capital can do better than in any other country I have lived in.



Mr. J. E. Proctor's Registered Hereford Cattle.

Since coming here I have never had a complete failure. Also our quality of live stock, horses, cattle and hogs are a high standard and are so free from the diseases so common to each in other countries.

One sees more healthy, red-cheeked people here than in any other country I was ever in.

Our country here is well improved, big, comfortable homes and barns and everywhere one sees prosperity and I think anyone who can make a payment on land here, and has any hustle to him, cannot help but make money and come to the good.

Trusting that this may be of some little interest to the reader, I am,

Yours sincerely,

J. E. PROCTOR.



Mr. W. Sharpe's Residence.



Mr. J. Sharpe's Residence.



**Stock Raising.**



*F. E. ALLISON*

*President of the Clive Board of Trade, who will be pleased to answer any communications with regards to business openings in Clive, or send detailed descriptions of farms for sale.*



Town of Clive, Alberta.